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Hi,

My name is Charles Borg. I would like to thank all of you for giving me the opportunity to speak to you today.

I entered into a relationship in May 2010 with a woman named Megan. We fell in love and that July she was pregnant. Plans were being made and gifts were purchased for our baby and Megan asked my mother to hold her a baby shower. We lived together until that August, and then we broke up. I told her that I would support her during her pregnancy and wanted to be a part of the process as we had both wanted this child. I made numerous attempts to communicate with her but she was bitter and would not allow me to be involved. She texted me in November and wanted to know how we were going to handle the custody. I told her that I wanted to be very much involved in my child's life. Her response was "Just because you made a baby doesn't make you a father. My response to her was "No Megan, that's exactly what it does make me". I then told her I would want as much custody as the courts would allow. Megan said she did not want the child to have 2 homes and would see me in court. I got nervous and immediately hired an attorney. He told me not to worry we will subpoena her to have DNA testing at the time of birth so I could file right away for child support and fathership rights. She was served that November and hired her own attorney. Megan then found out that the only way to deny me rights was through marriage. Two months later she got married. After speaking with Gary Isaman (Megan's father) I was informed that on March 21, 2011, I was a father.

We had our day in court that March and Megan's attorney said I had no standing as she married during the term of her pregnancy. Judge Viviano said she would mail her decision. Last year in June her decision came back, that I had no standing.

I have not even seen my baby. I'm distraught by the fact that I tried to do what was right in a day that a lot of men run from their responsibilities. I feel that my daughter Cora is being denied my love because of an angry mother. Most children search for their biological parents and it hurts them to think they were not wanted. Megan and I both loved children and this was why we had a baby. My relationship with Megan Isaman didn't work out and my daughter is being punished as a result.

I am pleading with you to change this law. Even more I am pleading for it to be retroactive to apply to me so Cora can know that her real dad loved her from the start.

Thank you again, Charles

